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Applicants: HOFFMAN et al.

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Title: METHOD OF PRODUCING A METALLIZED BRIQUETTE

Charlotte, North Carolina
November 30, 2002

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TO BE ENTERED WITH RCE

Please cancel the amendment mailed on October 17, 2002, and enter the following amendment, which is responsive to the Advisory Action dated November 4, 2002 and the Final Official Action dated July 30, 2002.

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 15, with the following rewritten paragraph:

⑤ 1 --- Finally, reductant materials are added to the mixture, the preferred reductant